

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF FOOD NOT BOMBS
CLEVELAND

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 19, 2001

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Food Not Bombs Cleveland for the significant contribution that organization is making in Ohio's 10th Congressional District and the Greater Cleveland area.

Like other Congressional Districts around the country, my district has severe and significant problems with hunger. This problem is prevalent among those who have places to live and those who do not.

Food Not Bombs Cleveland operates on the principle that society and government should value human life over material wealth. Many of the problems in the world stem from this simple crisis in values.

By giving away free food to people in need in public spaces, such as Cleveland's Public Square every Sunday afternoon since January 1996, Food Not Bombs Cleveland directly dramatizes the level of hunger in this country and the surplus of food being wasted. Food Not Bombs Cleveland also calls attention to the failure of our society to support those with-in it while amply funding the forces of war and violence.

Food Not Bombs Cleveland is part of an informal network, Food Not Bombs, which was formed in Boston in 1980 as an outgrowth of the anti-nuclear movement in New England. Food Not Bombs Cleveland is committed to the use of non-violent direct action to change society. It is by working today to create sustainable institutions that prefigure the kind of society we want to live in, that Food Not Bombs Cleveland works to bring a vital and caring movement for progressive social change.

Food Not Bombs serves food as a practical act of sustaining people and organizations, not as symbolism. Thousands of meals are served each week by Food Not Bombs groups in North America and Europe. The meals served by Food Not Bombs Cleveland each week are vegetarian, donated by Cleveland-area grocers such as the Food Coop, the Web of Life, Panera Bakery, and vendors at Cleveland's West Side Market, prepared by volunteers, and are shared with anyone who wants to participate.

It is at these weekly gatherings that information is shared by participants on all issues of significance, from available resources for survival on and off the streets to how to make positive non-violent change in our society. Since many of the participants in Food Not Bombs Cleveland are living on either side of the edge of homelessness, there is much information gathered and shared that is useful to the participants.

For instance, it is at these gatherings that the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless distributes its "Street Card," detailing all social services available to both the homeless, the formerly homeless, and those at risk of becoming homeless. Participants share information about their own experience with social services resources, both as users and providers of such services. Thus, Food Not Bombs Cleveland operates as an important networking tool for those in need of social services that help those in need.

I am proud of the work that Food Not Bombs Cleveland accomplishes through its free public meals, by drawing attention to the hunger and homelessness crisis in America, and by using direct, non-violent means toward helping resolve these crises. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognition of Food Not Bombs Cleveland the national Food Not Bombs network.

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM FRANCIS
LANDIS

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize William Francis Landis, who died June 10, 2001 in Humboldt County, California at the age of ninety.

Bill Landis was born in Oakland, California where he attended local schools. In 1939, he graduated from the University of California at Berkeley. He became a full time employee of the Bank of America, having worked for the bank part time while attending the university.

After the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor, Bill Landis joined the United States Army and served in the Army Air Corps throughout World War II.

When the war ended, Bill Landis returned to work at Bank of America. Before the war he had met his future wife, Marian Adele Anderson, of Ferndale, California. They married and settled in Hayward, California. After the birth of their sons, William, Jr. and James, Bill and Marian decided to move back to Humboldt County to raise their family. The family grew as three more children were born, Charles, Gary and Adele.

Bill worked for the Arcata Plywood Company and was instrumental in organizing Local Union 2808. In 1962 he was elected 5th District Supervisor for the County of Humboldt and was a strong supporter of the establishment of the Redwood National Park. After his term as Supervisor, he served as business agent for the Humboldt County Employee Union for ten years.

After his retirement, Bill Landis served as Senior Senator, advising the California Legislature on important senior issues. Actively in-

involved at the Eureka Senior Center, he educated others about senior health concerns and advocated lowering the cost of prescription medications for low-income seniors.

A fervent Democrat, a dedicated humanitarian, and a champion for senior citizens, Bill Landis has left a distinguished legacy to his children and grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we recognize William Francis Landis for his unwavering commitment to the ideals and values that sustain our great country.

A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO SISTER
NANCY LINENKUGEL, OSF, EDM,
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HON. PAUL E. GILLMOR

OF OHIO

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Mr. GILLMOR. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to recognize Sister Nancy Linenkugel, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis, who will be stepping down as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Providence Health System and the Providence Hospital in Sandusky, Ohio after 21 years of service.

During Sister Nancy's tenure, she worked diligently to improve and enhance not only the hospital but also the people's lives that came into contact with her. Sister Nancy served 15 years as president and CEO of Providence Hospital. In addition to her hospital duties she concurrently served for 14 years as president and CEO of the Providence Health System which is made up of not only Providence Hospital but, Providence Care Centers, Providence Properties, Providence Fund, Providence Enterprises, and Providence Professional Corporation as well.

Over her 21 years, Sister Nancy has guided the Sandusky hospital through a significant period of growth. She has overseen the development of a Women's Center, an obstetrics unit, two physical therapy clinics, a sleep lab, a mobile MRI unit, inpatient rehab unit, and a home health agency, just to name a few. In addition, she established an Open Heart Surgery Program and initiated a physician relations program that significantly boosted hospital admissions. One important goal Sister Nancy had for the hospital was a freestanding long-term care facility. Her dream came true in 1989 when the Providence Care Center, a nursing home, opened its doors.

I am not the only one to recognize her accomplishments. Sister Nancy was inducted into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame in 1999, given the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1993 from her alma mater Xavier University, named the Erie County Chamber Commerce Businesswoman of the Year in 1992 and the Sandusky Business and Professional Women named her Woman of the Year in 1989.

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